

⁴Dead Bird Disposal Instructions
(For Use With *Missouri Dead/Sick Bird Call Decision Tree*)

Birds die from many different infectious diseases or exposure to toxins. Some of these diseases may cause illness in humans. Handling dead birds without proper precautions may put humans at risk.

To dispose of a dead bird:

- Avoid contact with any fluids coming out of the bird.
- Wear plastic or latex gloves or use several leak-proof plastic bags as a glove.
- Place the bird in a leakproof plastic bag.
- Close tightly making sure the claws or beak do not puncture the bag.
- Place the bird in an outside trash receptacle.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and warm water.